

APPROPRIATION FOR ORDNANCE AND ORDNANCE  
STORES.

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FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

A COPY OF A COMMUNICATION FROM THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF WAR SUBMITTING AN ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR ORDNANCE AND ORDNANCE STORES.

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FEBRUARY 21, 1903.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,  
*Washington, February 20, 1903.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of Congress, copy of a communication from the Assistant Secretary of War of the 19th instant, submitting an estimate of appropriation for ordnance and ordnance stores, for inclusion in the general deficiency bill, required by the War Department to replace certain articles of stores and equipment destroyed by fire at the Rock Island Arsenal on February 11, 1903, to be made available until expended, \$1,765,892.50.

Respectfully,

L. M. SHAW, *Secretary.*

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
*Washington, February 19, 1903.*

SIR: I have the honor to forward herewith, for transmission to Congress, an estimate (\$1,765,892.50) of appropriation for "Ordnance and ordnance stores," required by the War Department to replace certain articles of stores and equipments destroyed by fire at the Rock Island Arsenal on February 11, 1903, with request that the estimate be considered in connection with the general deficiency bill, and the funds, if appropriated, be made available until expended.

Very respectfully,

WM. CARY SANGER,  
*Assistant Secretary of War.*

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF ORDNANCE,  
U. S. ARMY,  
Washington, February 18, 1903.

SIR: 1. I have the honor to submit herewith a special estimate of \$1,765,892.50, required to replace the ordnance and ordnance stores destroyed by fire at the Rock Island Arsenal, Rock Island, Ill., on the night of the 11th instant, and to request that this estimate be forwarded to Congress through the honorable the Secretary of the Treasury, in order that it may be embodied in the general deficiency appropriation bill now being considered by the Appropriation Committee of the House of Representatives.

2. In order to enable the Department to replace these standard army supplies it will be necessary that the appropriation now requested be made available until expended.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM CROZIER,  
Brig. Gen., Chief of Ordnance.

The SECRETARY OF WAR.

*Estimates of appropriations required for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904,  
by the Ordnance Department, U. S. Army.*

#### WAR DEPARTMENT.

##### ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT.

##### Ordnance and ordnance stores—

For replacing the following ordnance and ordnance stores destroyed by fire at the Rock Island Arsenal, Ill., on February 11, 1903, viz:

Infantry, cavalry, and artillery equipments, including horse equipments for cavalry and artillery harness for field, mountain, and siege artillery (submitted) .....	\$265,445.00
15 Gatling guns, with carriages and equipments(submitted) ..	35,000.00
500 Colt's revolvers (submitted) .....	\$5,500.00
1,000 magazine rifles, caliber .30 (submitted) .....	14,270.00
1,000 magazine carbines, caliber .30 (submitted)...	12,290.00
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150,000 revolver ball cartridges (submitted).....	1,387.50
150,000 revolver blank cartridges (submitted).....	1,200.00
700,000 rifle ball cartridges (submitted).....	19,600.00
400,000 rifle blank cartridges (submitted).....	7,200.00
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	32,060.00
Implements and equipments for mountain, field, and siege rifles and carriages (submitted) .....	
Miscellaneous spare parts pertaining to infantry, cavalry, and horse equipments, paints, cleaning material and similar stores, paper targets, leather, portable forges, armament chests, breech covers, paulins, etc., and the various tools and material and supplies for issue, sufficient in the majority of articles for three years for an army of 60,000 men (submitted) .....	154,000.00
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1,765,892.50

In all, \$1,765,892.50, to remain available until expended.